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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before November 6, 2004. A petition and petition fee for a three-month extension of time are filed herewith making this response timely filed.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.